

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: INFORMATION PROVIDING
APPARATUS, INFORMATION
PROCESSING APPARATUS, AND
INFORMATION RECORDING
MEDIUM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination and calculation of any claim fees, please amend the instant application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title of the application, insert the following section:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is based upon and claims the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of prior Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-356563, filed November 22, 2000, the entire contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 9 and insert new claim 14 as follows. Appended hereto is a set of the marked up claims.

9. (Amended) An information processing apparatus comprising information transmitting means which transmits information to be accumulated by information accumulating means provided in an information providing apparatus as recited in claim 1 or a URL of a web page carrying information desired to be provided by the information providing service.

14. (New) An information processing apparatus comprising information transmitting means which transmits information to be accumulated by information accumulating means provided in an information providing apparatus as recited in claim 4 or a URL of a web page carrying information desired to be provided by the information providing service.

REMARKS

By this amendment, a "Cross-Reference to Related Applications" section has been added to the specification, claim 9 has been amended in order to eliminate the multiple dependency therefrom and claim 14 has been added. Examination on the merits of the instant application is respectfully requested

Respectfully submitted,



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IN THE CLAIMS:

9. (Amended) An information processing apparatus comprising information transmitting means which transmits information to be accumulated by information accumulating means provided in an information providing apparatus as recited in claim 1 ~~or 4~~ or a URL of a web page carrying information desired to be provided by the information providing service.

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